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FOR: DEXTROSE HYDRATE IN POWDER FORM AND A PROCESS FOR THE

PREPARATION THEREOF

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

response to the election/restriction requirement mailed March 22, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please delete without prejudice claims 1 to 21 and substitute therefor new claims 22 to 42 as follows:

- A dextrose hydrate in powder form, having: 22. (New)
- a dextrose content at least equal to 98%,
- an α crystalline form content at least equal to 95%,
- a water content greater than 1%,
- a compressibility determined according to a test A at least equal to 70 N.
- 23. (New) The dextrose hydrate according to claim 22, having a water content in the range 2% to 10%.

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